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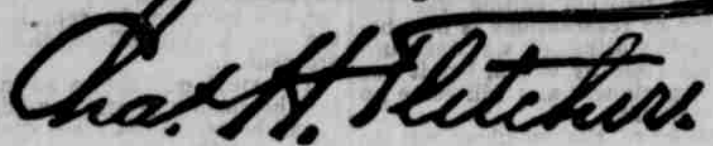
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SMYRNA

Sunday was an ideal spring day. Sunshine, green grass, even mud combined to make it like spring. Brave little dandelions blooming in December; never saw the like before, since I remember.

John Tebbel says never mind what the weather prophets say about an open winter but wait until next spring and he'll tell you what it was.

Mrs. Martha Skellenger of Belding was a guest of Mrs. Eleanor Dicken on Thursday.

Henry Gardner of Ionia is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Gardner.

C. W. Joslin has been on the sick list with a cold the past week.

Miss Fannie Earle and ye scribe enjoyed the Sunday sunshine on the south porch of the farmer's home while they sat there in easy chairs, and visited awhile and the date was December 8, 1918.

The sick at the home of Geo. Webber and family are recovering their health.

Hugo Gasper, who was recovering from an attack of influenza, got out to work too soon and was taken worse again.

Geo. Moran, wife and daughters of Oakfield and E. I. Hull and wife of Greenville called on Mr. and Mrs. Will Cowles Sunday.

Miss Ruth Whitmore was a Sunday caller at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Reeves.

Ed. Inaley went to Belding Saturday after bread and had to wait there until it was baked. Now what do you think of that?

Paddy, the dog that swallowed the greenback, has been in better health ever since he did it. He frisks around right lively now.

Mrs. Lynn Mason and daughter, Ruth of Grattan are quite ill with flu.

Mrs. Catherine Russell has a rose-bush of the Rambler variety that is all budded to bloom and it is not a house plant either. It is right out doors where it can sample all the weather that is dished up.

The Knights of the Maccabees have reelected their officers for next year. The commander is Peter Kohn and Elgin Condon is finance keeper.

At their meeting Saturday night the Ladies of the Maccabees elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Commander, Beattie Reeves; Lieut. com., Maggie Olds; chaplain, Emma Lee; finance keeper, Adelaide Joslin; record keeper, Olive Inaley; sergeant, Lottie Compton; mistress at arms, Carrie Harris; sentinel, Ada Hanks, picket, Alpharetta Barry; pianist, Aldena Harris. After the election of officers a supper was served.

The installation of officers will take place some time in January. Don't tell anybody we said so, but Mrs. Condon and Mrs. Lee got out bright and early Sunday and helped Elgin get a cord, more or less, of kindling wood under shelter. The day was fair but there was no telling how soon a storm might begin.

Mrs. Martin of Flint is visiting her sister, Mrs. George Hoppough. Mr. and Mrs. George Kohn and daughters, Margaret and Lucile Marie from near Palo visited Mrs. Ella Beedy and Mrs. Grace Beedy Thursday. They also visited Peter Kohn and wife before returning home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Webber are entertaining a daughter and children from Council Bluffs, Ia. When the daughter arrived here the first of last week some of Mr. Webber's family were sick with influenza so she was a guest of Mrs. Hattie Moe a few days.

Mrs. Alfred Davis is quite ill with the grip.

Mrs. Bertha Coss called on Mrs. Sylvester Osborn Tuesday.

Geo. Tebbel made a business trip to Lowell Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Baker and daughter, Helen and Mrs. Geo. Tebbel were Belding visitors Saturday.

Amos Russell and daughter, Mrs. Robert Earle were in Belding Thursday.

Noble Peterson, wife and daughter, Ruth, were in Belding Saturday.

Lytle Woodruff is quite ill with influenza.

Mrs. A. Barry and Mrs. Ed. Inaley were in Grand Rapids Tuesday and Wednesday. They were the guests of Allen Short and family Tuesday night.

Mrs. W. E. Williams who was here caring for her sister, Miss Nella Tebbel, returned to her home in Lansing Friday and Mrs. Fay Williams of Lansing arrived here the same day to look after the household affairs a few days until Miss Nella fully recovers from the influenza.

Mrs. Hattie Moe was a Sunday dinner guest of Miss Fannie Earle.

The Smyrna ladies who attended the Maccabee convention held in Belding Friday were: Mrs. E. W. Condon, Mrs. Emma Lee, Mrs. A. Barry, Mrs. Ed. Inaley, Mrs. Hiram Olds, Mrs. Will Cowles, Mrs. Geo. Hanks, Mrs. Louis Compton, Mrs. Henry Harris, Miss Gayla Penton and Miss Vina Gardner.

Mrs. C. W. Joslin visited her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Ashley in Coral last week and over Sunday.

Maurice Earle of Cook's Corners called on his sister, Miss Fannie Earle Saturday.

Chester Gardner of Belding visited his home folks in Smyrna Sunday.

Marvin Nash of Camp Custer visited here with his wife and Ed. Inaley and family from Thursday until Saturday.

Mr. Chas. Condon and little son, Carroll, visited with Ernie Anderson and wife in Belding Monday of last week.

Miss Beattie Peterson called on Miss Fannie Earle Saturday and was a supper guest of George Hoppough and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Cowles received a letter from George Frost of Long Beach, Florida, last week and he stated that they had not been troubled with the flu there.

His father, Jesse Frost was still in very poor health. George had just bought a big fish net, 1,200 feet long and 9 feet deep and of course he had some big fish stories to relate. He says, "I was out hoeing cabbages in my garden the other morning and heard some one calling for help right west of the dock and went down there and helped pull in 2,800 pounds of fish. I thought that was catching a few, but on Monday I went to Cortez and saw two crews come in with all their boats would hold. Some of the crew had to stay in the water and hold the fish in the nets until they unloaded the boats. They got 24,000 lbs., \$1,200 worth. That was a good day's work for 10 men. There were two crews. One crew caught the fish and had to call on the second crew to help pull them in." Well, really, it does look as if George Frost was enjoying life in Florida. Now that he has a new net of his own we expect to hear of some big catches of fish he has made.

Mrs. Grace Beedy and daughter, Martha, visited in Belding with Mrs. Will Case Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Waukaw and baby of Greenville visited Mrs. Hattie Moe Friday.

Mrs. Catherine Russell was a Sunday guest of Mrs. Eleanor Dicken.

Mr. and Mrs. John Clark called on Mrs. Robert Earle Saturday.

Mrs. Maggie Beebe called on Mrs. Alfred Davis Saturday evening.

Miss Ruth Brown and little sister, Melba, were Sunday guests of Ed. Inaley and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Elgin Condon and Mrs. Emma Lee were in Lowell on Tuesday.

Mrs. Elizabeth Davis is visiting her son, Alfred Davis and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Hull were in Belding Thursday and called on Mrs. Melissa Cobb and Jake Wise and wife.

Mrs. Albert Northway returned on Saturday from a two weeks' stay at the home of Will Krick where she cared for the family, including the little baby, all sick with influenza.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Compton are going to enjoy life in a tent on John Campbell's farm in Keene this winter. Louis will do teaming for Leo Cowles who is there with his sawmill outfit.

Ike Abbott of Fremont was a visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elgin Condon Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Russell and granddaughter, Helen Earle, called on Marvin Filkins and wife Sunday.

Robert Beebe was home from Belding Saturday night. By the way, last week's paper made us say Robert Earle had employment in the Richardson silk mill in Belding and we should have said Robert Beebe.

Sergeant and Mrs. Marvin Nash were in Belding Friday.

Mrs. Mary Tebel and grandson Arlo were in Belding Saturday.

Miss Sadie Hinebaugh visited with friends in Blanchard over Sunday.

The Red Cross ladies will hold a meeting Thursday in Maccabee hall. They have quite a lot of work on hand.

The teacher and pupils of our school are planning to give a Christmas entertainment. More about it later.

Ye scribe received five invitations to dinner Sunday and most everybody in Smyrna had a chicken dinner. Sorry but we just couldn't accept but one of those invitations.

LONG LAKE

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Baxter were over from Palo last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Dodson spent Tuesday in Belding.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Stedman of Palo spent several days in their cottage last week.

Fort Shuart and Harold Holt of Grand Ledge came to the lake last Friday to look after their motor boat and had dinner at Mrs. J. E. Dodson's; also A. Bullis of Ronald was a visitor here Friday.

Spring certainly must be here because several of the residents looked out and there sat Mac and the three Ammons patiently waiting for a nibble and they got them.

Mrs. Ed. Morse was called to Saginaw Sunday on account of the illness of Parker Morse and his family.

Postmaster Bricker of Belding and two other gentlemen spent Sunday at the lake after the festive rabbits.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Edmonds will spend the winter on Will More's farm. Mr. and Mrs. More are going away for the winter.

Cleo Schultz came home from Ionia Friday and is entertaining an attack of flu.

Ray Hall and two daughters, Virginia and Arabelle have returned from a two weeks' visit with friends at various places.

Mrs. Lon Parmenter and daughter, Emma, of near Ionia spent Tuesday with Mrs. Ben Hall.

The leading exponent of the Safety First Movement just now is Kaiser Bill.

SMOKY ROW

Lyle Hotchkiss and wife, George Chickering and wife of near Detroit spent Thanksgiving at home with Ed. Hotchkiss and wife and Emery Chickering and wife.

Clayton Sparks who has been having the flu the past two weeks is so he is out a little now.

Roy Taylor and wife have moved on the Cooley farm and will work it the coming year.

Mrs. A. C. Sherman was in Lowell over Sunday to attend the funeral of her sister-in-law.

Almarine Seeley of Newaygo is visiting his cousins, the Seeley Brothers for a few days.

Vern Brown and Mr. Miller of Belding were at Ed. Hotchkiss' Sunday.

KEENE HEIGHTS

Dell Hardy and family spent Saturday night and Sunday with her parents at Moseley.

O. Vanderlip was a Sunday guest at Ernie Pinckney's.

Mr. and Mrs. John Heather of Miriam spent Thursday with Mrs. Wealthea Bowen.

Mert Jepson and Lew Hunter spent Thursday at I. C. Stebbins'.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Denny spent Friday with her parents.

Jesse Hunter, Roy Goff and son, Harold and Bernice Rickett have the flu.

Mert Jepson, Lew Hunter and Frank Heather attended the funeral of Mary Stebbins who died of pneumonia at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Christiansen of Orleans, which was held Saturday at 2 p. m. at the M. E. church in Saranac.

Fred Grainer was a Wednesday evening guest of Orve Vanderlip.

Ralph Bigley and Orve Vanderlip threshed clover seed Friday also Lew Hunter.

NORTH EASTON

The State Road Ladies' club met at the home of Mrs. Clara Yeomans on Thursday, Dec. 5; dinner served at noon; program led by Margery Yeomans follows: Music, Gertrude Hall; reading, Mrs. Levi Krick; music, Lucy Clute; reading, Fannie Yeomans; music, Gertrude Hall and responded to an encore; singing by several girls, accompanied by Fannie Yeomans at the piano. Program closed with music by Lucy Clute. The place of next meeting will be announced later.

Brunson Bates of Ionia was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Bates last Sunday.

Mrs. Levi Krick returned home on Tuesday after several days' visit with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Leach and daughter, Esther, of Brink and while there called to see the new grandson at Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Krick's.

Mrs. Isaac Bates returned home on Thursday after several days' visit with Mr. and Mrs. Leonard McPherson of Belding. Mrs. McPherson is a daughter.

Miss Nettie Lord has rented her farm to Mr. Lake and she moved upstairs. She is now visiting relatives in Owosso.

Do you know what "The Light in the Clearing" means?

ASHLEY

Miss Winifred Wood spent a few days in Grand Rapids last week.

Mrs. Earl Drake and son of Greenville spent last week Thursday with Mrs. Frank Rasmussen.

Thel adies of the Ashley aid will hold a chicken pie social this week Friday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Slayton. It is reported all are over the flu on the State road so you are cordially invited to attend.

Mrs. Fred Deal who has been quite ill is reported better, also Misses Ashley and Wood, Mrs. Hefferson and family and Roy Clifford.

If you wish to see an old fashioned lumber camp only there are tents instead of shanties call at Camp Ellis near Ashley church.

Leand Hoover has returned to his home near Sand Lake after spending several weeks with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hoover.

Miss Ethel Brown spent Sunday with her parents.

Nelson Wood is reported better.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Brown spent Sunday with friends near Greenville.

Ernest Eggstein was home over Sunday from Camp Custer.

CHADWICK

Mrs. Tim Winters of Greenville and Luther Berry of Belding spent Thursday with their father, Leander Berry.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Banahagel and children and Miss Irene Chadwick of Ionia spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Forest Chadwick.

Frank Chase and George Hanks of Smyrna called on their comrade, Leander Berry Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Moore were in Ionia Saturday.

There are quite a few cases of influenza in this vicinity.

Ed. Trowbridge died at his home Wednesday night of flu. They have the sympathy of their friends and neighbors.

Will Moore was in Grand Rapids Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Dow spent Saturday and Sunday with Frank Treynor and children.

Harris Bolster butchered for Emerson Toole and Ermon Marshall Thursday.

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Class D16 to 4.00
Class E32 to 8.00

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2.00	1.84	1.68	1.52	1.36	1.20	1.04	.88	.72	.56	.40	.24	.08
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